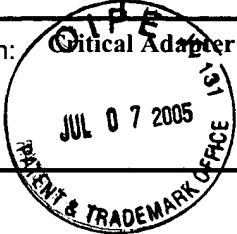
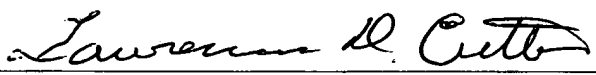
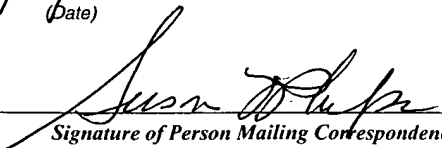


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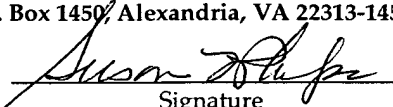
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In response to the Final Office Action dated May 3, 2005, applicants respond herein by traversing the rejection and by supplying, as suggested by the Examiner, an affidavit under Rule 1.131 attesting to the fact that the present invention was reduced to practice prior to the priority date (namely, the filing date) of the patent cited by the

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Examiner. In accordance with requisite practice, a copy of the claims as they currently stand are presented on pages 4 through 7 below. One minor clarifying change is made to claim 4, otherwise the claims stand as they were previously presented.